

We claim:

1. A conditioning detergent composition comprising:

a surfactant portion comprising at least one of the following:

1. a nonionic surfactant;

5 2. an amphoteric surfactant; and

3. an anionic surfactant; and

a conditioner portion comprising:

1. at least one cationic branched polymer; and

10 2. at least one silicone which is different from said cationic branched polymer and
is matrix soluble.

2. The detergent composition of claim 1 which is visually clear.

3. The detergent composition of claim 2 which is substantially free of pearlizing agents,
opacifiers and suspending agents.

4. The detergent composition of claim 1 comprising, based upon the total weight of the
15 conditioning detergent composition, from about 5 percent to about 20 percent of the surfactant
portion and from about 0.1 percent to about 6.0 percent of the conditioning portion.

5. The detergent composition of claim 1 comprising, based upon the total weight of the
conditioning detergent composition, from about 10 percent to about 15 percent of the surfactant
portion and from about 0.5 percent to about 5.0 percent of the conditioning portion.

20 6. The detergent composition of claim 1, wherein the conditioner portion is present in an
amount, based upon the total weight of the detergent composition, from about 0.1 percent to about
1.5 percent.

7. The detergent composition of claim 1, comprising based upon the total weight of the
conditioning detergent composition, from about 0.001 to about 5.0 percent of the cationic branched
25 polymer.

8. The detergent composition of claim 1, comprising based upon the total weight of the
conditioning detergent composition, from about 0.01 to 3.0 percent of the cationic branched
polymer.

9. The detergent composition of claim 1, comprising based upon the total weight of the
30 conditioning detergent composition, from about 0.1 to about 1.5 percent of the cationic branched
polymer.

10. The detergent composition of claim 1, comprising based upon the total weight of the conditioning detergent composition, from about 0.01 to about 8 percent of the matrix soluble silicone.
11. The detergent composition of claim 1, comprising based upon the total weight of the 5 conditioning detergent composition, from about 0.1 to about 5 percent of the matrix soluble silicone.
12. The detergent composition of claim 1, comprising based upon the total weight of the conditioning detergent composition, from about 0.5 to about 5 percent of the matrix soluble silicone.
- 10 13. The detergent composition of claim 1 wherein said at least one cationic branched polymer comprises at least one polymer or copolymer of at least one of the following:
 - (a) an ethylenically unsaturated monomer;
 - (b) a silicone;
 - (c) a polysaccharide; and
 - 15 (d) a vinylpyrrolidone monomer.
14. The detergent composition of claim 13, wherein said cationic branched polymer comprises an ethylenically unsaturated monomer which is a copolymer of acrylamidopropyltrimonium chloride and acrylamide.
15. The detergent composition of claim 13, wherein said cationic branched polymer 20 comprises a silicone which is selected from cetyl triethylmonium dimethicone copolyol succinate, steardimonium hydroxypropyl panthenyl PEG-7 Dimethicone Phosphate Chloride and mixtures thereof.
16. The detergent composition of claim 13, wherein said cationic branched polymer comprises a polysaccharide which is guar hydroxypropyl trimonium chloride.
- 25 17. The detergent composition of claim 13, wherein said cationic branched polymer comprises a vinylpyrrolidone monomer which is selected from a copolymer of vinylpyrrolidone/vinylimidazolium methosulfate copolymer, and mixtures thereof.
18. The conditioning detergent composition of claim 1 wherein the matrix soluble silicone is selected from the group consisting of trimethylsilylamodimethicone, dimethicone copolyol, 30 amodimethicone and mixtures thereof.
19. The composition of claim 1 in the form of a shampoo, a conditioner, a body wash, a shower gel, or a bath.
20. A method for making a visually clear detergent composition substantially free of pearlizing agents, opacifiers and suspending agents, said method comprising the step of:

adding an effective amount of a conditioning portion to a surfactant portion, wherein said conditioning portion comprises at least one cationic branched copolymer and at least one silicone which is different from said cationic branched polymer and is matrix soluble and wherein said surfactant portion comprises at least one of the following:

5 1. a nonionic surfactant;
 2. an amphoteric surfactant; and
 3. an anionic surfactant.